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To all new PGR students

I am writing to welcome you as a research student in the School of Earth Sciences and to provide you with some useful introductory information.

You will receive information from the University and the Science Faculty concerning Welcome Week, which will take place from Monday 9th September to Friday 13th September. During welcome week you will register with the School, attend a series of presentations about postgraduate life at the University and take part in induction activities within the School of Earth Sciences.

It is essential that you attend the appropriate registration sessions and all of the induction events, as a great deal of important and useful information will be provided. It is also a great opportunity to get to know the rest of the PGR students and get settled into the School. Please see the welcome week timetable for details.

During the week there will be opportunities to meet with staff and other students. Of course, you will also want to get together with your supervisors to discuss your research, so it would be a good idea for you to schedule a meeting with them at a mutually convenient time.

Research is very different to an undergraduate degree as you will be exploring uncharted territory. A PhD or MSc by Research will be a complex cocktail of excitement, frustration, elation, unpredictability and eureka moments served with a large slice of hard work. I hope you will all love the experience!

I look forward to meeting you soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or the postgraduate administrator at earth-postgrad@bristol.ac.uk.

Yours sincerely



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